

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 8, 9 and 13. Please amend claims 1 and 5 to read as follows:

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1. (Currently Amended) A method for attaching solid hardwood floor planks to a concrete surface comprises:
- preparing, away from the site of installation, solid wood floorboards having a length of at least about 3 feet for attachment to said concrete floor surface;
- applying said floorboards to said concrete floor surface with at least one water resistant, water impermeable adhesive in sufficient quantity to attach said floorboards to said surface;
- ~~placing said floorboards on the adhesive-coated concrete floor surface;~~
- after said placing step, nailing said boards to said concrete floor surface at right angles thereto, through said boards, and through said adhesive layer;
- and
- allowing the adhesive to set.
2. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said preparing step comprises providing said floorboards with surface wormholes/nailholes/scratches, colors and finishes, or a combination thereof.
3. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising, before applying said adhesive to concrete floor surface, preparing said concrete floor surface to be clean, dry, smooth, low in surface moisture, and substantially flat.
4. (Canceled)

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5. (Currently Amended) A floor comprising a concrete floor surface with solid plank wood floor boards having a length of at least about 3 feet adhesively attached thereto, said adhesive being water resistant and water impermeable with no subflooring between said boards and said concrete floor surface, said floor further comprising a plurality of nails that extend at right angles to said concrete floor surface through said boards, through said adhesive and into said concrete floor surface.
6. (Previously Amended) The floor of claim 5 wherein said boards include surface wormholes/nailholes/scratches, colors and finishes, or a combination thereof.
7. (Original) The floor of claim 5 wherein said boards are of varying thicknesses.
8. (Cancel)
9. (Cancel)
10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2 further comprising, before applying said adhesive to said surface, preparing said surface to be clean, dry, smooth, low in surface moisture, and substantially flat.
11. (Canceled)
12. (Original) The floor of claim 6 wherein said boards are of varying thicknesses.
13. (Canceled)